

Mr. Speaker, I rise in support of the Morris K. Udall Scholarship and Excellence in National Environmental Policy Amendments Act, H.R. 1035.

Congress established the Morris K. Udall Foundation in 1992 to focus on critical environmental issues, provide resources to train Native American professionals in health care and public policy, and resolve environmental disputes involving Federal agencies to the U.S. Institute of Environmental Conflict Resolution.

Under this measure, the Morris K. Udall Scholarship will also honor Stewart Udall. We can all certainly learn a lot from both Mo and Stu Udall. The Udall brothers were not only prominent U.S. politicians from the great State of Arizona, they were also dedicated public servants.

As a teacher for 29 years, I used to tell my students, when you name something after someone significant, whether it's a park, a school, or a scholarship, this not only honors that person, but it also is meant to set an example. Stu Udall has served the local communities in Arizona, as well as the entire Nation.

From serving in the United States Army Air Corps, to representing the local education community as the school board president of Amphitheater Public Schools, to representing his constituents as a United States Congressman, to serving as Secretary of the Interior under Presidents Kennedy and Johnson, Stu Udall has truly set an example for all of what public service means.

It is my hope that recipients of this scholarship will honor Stu Udall and his legacy by also engaging in a life of public service.

I urge my colleagues to support this measure.

